

SUPPLEMENTAL REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

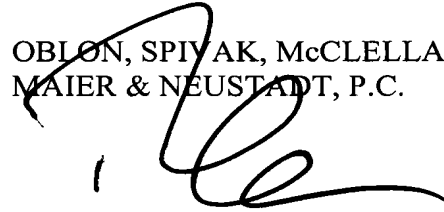
The amendments and remarks filed on even date herewith are incorporated herein by reference.

The outstanding Official Action includes a Double Patenting rejection. Applicants submit that the present claims are not obvious over the claims in the copending case and that the claims herein are in condition for allowance. Thus, the present claims should be allowed to Issue and any double patenting rejection made in the copending case if appropriate.

If this is the only outstanding issue herein before allowance of the claims the Examiner is requested to contact the below-signed attorney by telephone, who will expedite the allowance of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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